

Public Notice – Environmental Project

PURPOSE OF NOTICE:

The Department of Environmental Quality seeks public comment on the state's response to the environmental aspects of a proposed project in Gloucester County, Virginia.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

April 18, 2013 to May 14, 2013

TYPE OF RESPONSE:

Federal Consistency Determination

DEQ is reviewing a proposed federal financial assistance action to determine if it is consistent with the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program (VCP) established pursuant to the U.S. Coastal Zone Management Act. The VCP seeks to protect the quality of air, water or other natural resources in Virginia's coastal area.

NAME OF AGENCY PROPOSING THE PROJECT:

U.S. Department of Agriculture Farm Service Agency

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) proposes to provide a FSA loan to Mr. Daniel Rilee for the conversion of approximately 50 acres of cutover timber land to crop production in Gloucester County. The loan is through the FSA Direct Farm Operating Loan Program. The property is located on Pampa Road near the intersection of Glenns Road. Project activities will include the clearing of stumps, debris, and grading activities. The owner is required to implement a conservation plan that sets forth practices to protect soil resources and limit erosion and surface water pollution. USDA-FSA has submitted a Federal Consistency Determination that finds the proposed action consistent, to the maximum extent practicable, with the enforceable policies of the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program.

HOW TO COMMENT:

DEQ accepts comments from the public by e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments must include the name, address and telephone number of the person commenting and be received by DEQ within the comment period. The public may review the project documents at DEQ's central office in Richmond.

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